

AVENGERS vs X-men[®]

MARVEL

VS

ROUND 3



BRUBAKER
ROMITA
HANNA
MARTIN

AVS X

ROUND 3

THE COSMIC PHOENIX FORCE IS RETURNING TO EARTH. TO THE AVENGERS, IT HERALDS THE END OF THE WORLD. TO THE X-MEN, IT REPRESENTS THE REBIRTH OF THEIR SPECIES.

AS BOTH TEAMS FOUGHT FOR CUSTODY OF HOPE SUMMERS, THE PHOENIX'S CHOSEN HOST, HER CONNECTION WITH THE PHOENIX MANIFESTED IN FIRE, AND NEITHER GROUP OF HEROES WAS ABLE TO PREVENT HOPE'S ESCAPE.



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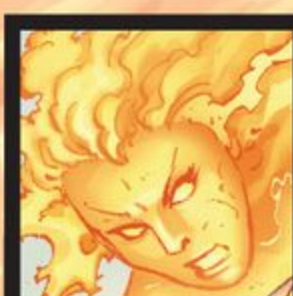
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VELOCIDAD



LOA



SURGE



SUNSPOT



HOPE

X-MEN

UTOPIA.
ISLAND HOME
OF THE X-MEN.

AAHHH!



EASY, LOGAN...
RELAX...

...GUUHHH...WHAT
HAPPENED..?



YOU JUST SPENT
THE LAST HOUR
REGROWING YOUR
FLESH...

WHICH, BY
THE WAY--
YUCK.

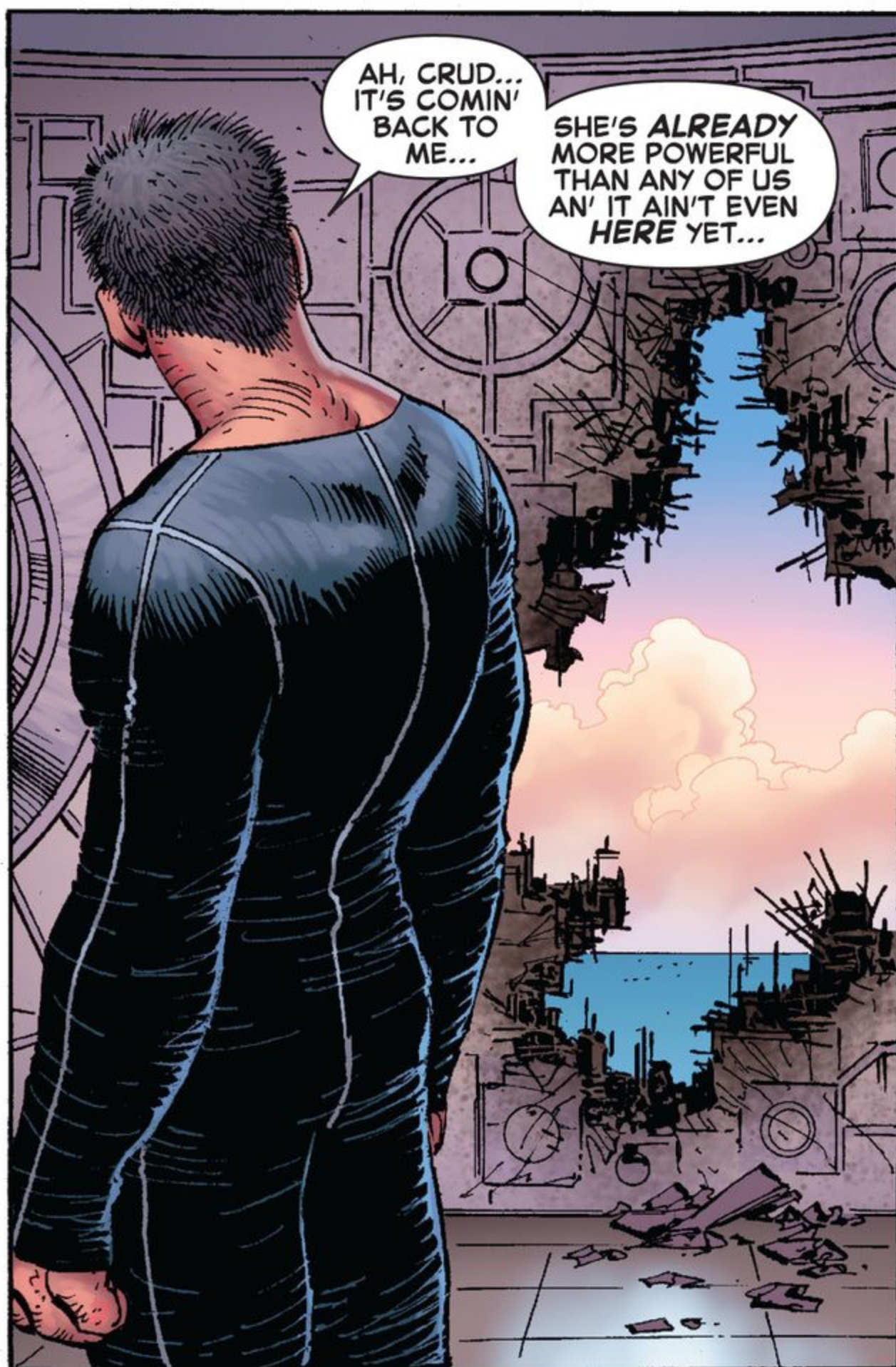
HERE,
PUT ON SOME
CLOTHES...



WHERE'S THE
KID--WHERE'S
HOPE?

SHE'S
GONE...DON'T YOU
REMEMBER?





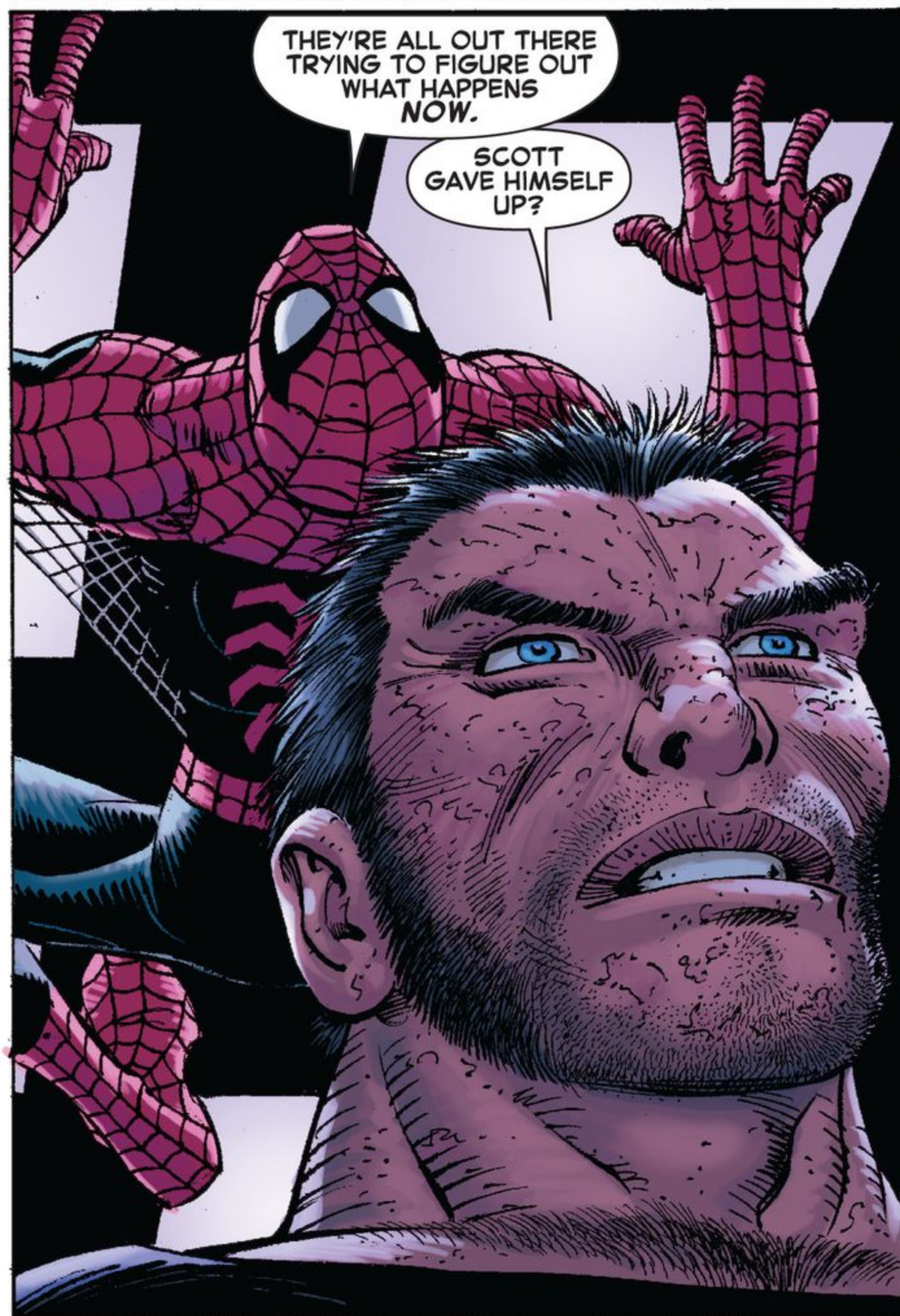
AH, CRUD...
IT'S COMIN'
BACK TO
ME...

SHE'S **ALREADY**
MORE POWERFUL
THAN ANY OF US
AN' IT AIN'T EVEN
HERE YET...



SO WHAT
HAPPENED
AFTER I GOT
TAKEN OUT?

CYCLOPS
AND HIS PEOPLE
SURRENDERED
TO CAP...

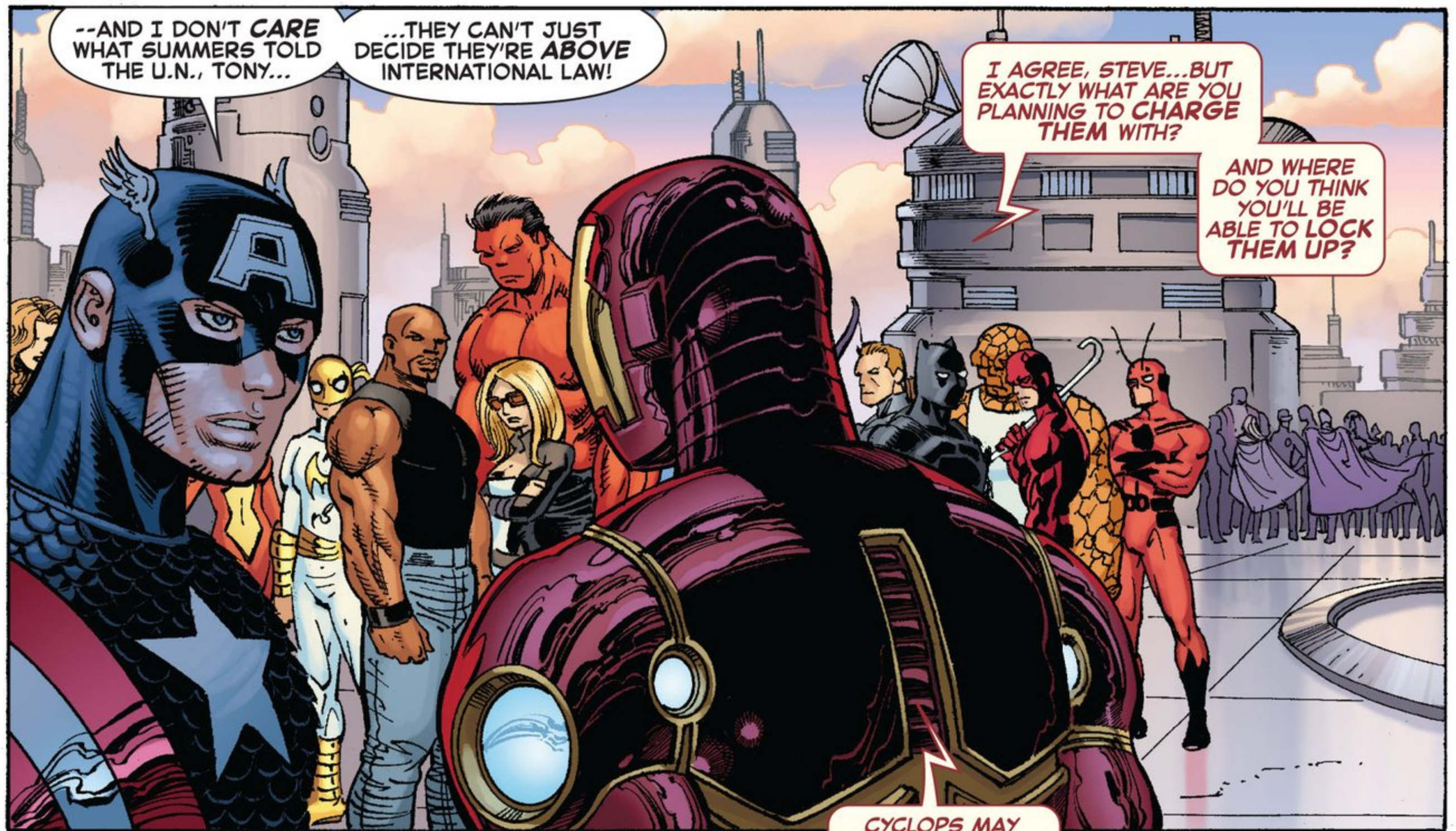


THEY'RE ALL OUT THERE
TRYING TO FIGURE OUT
WHAT HAPPENS
NOW.

SCOTT
GAVE HIMSELF
UP?



NAH...I DON'T
LIKE THE SCENT'A
THAT AT ALL...



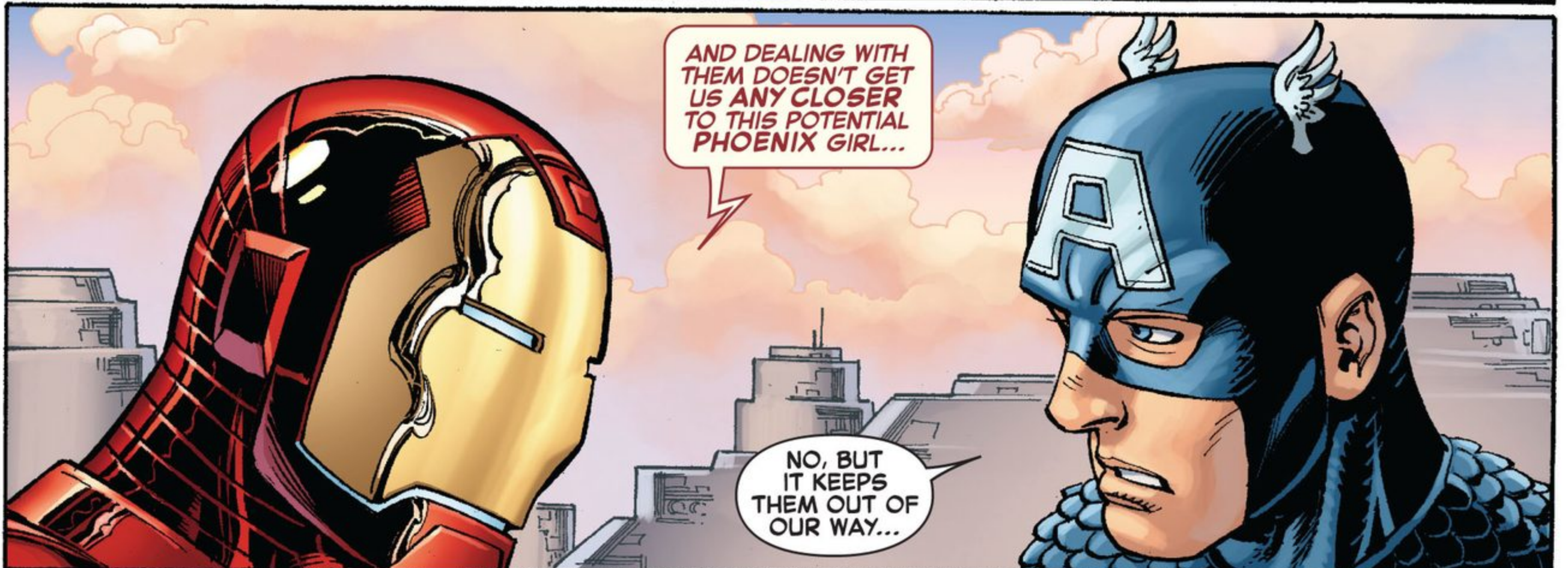
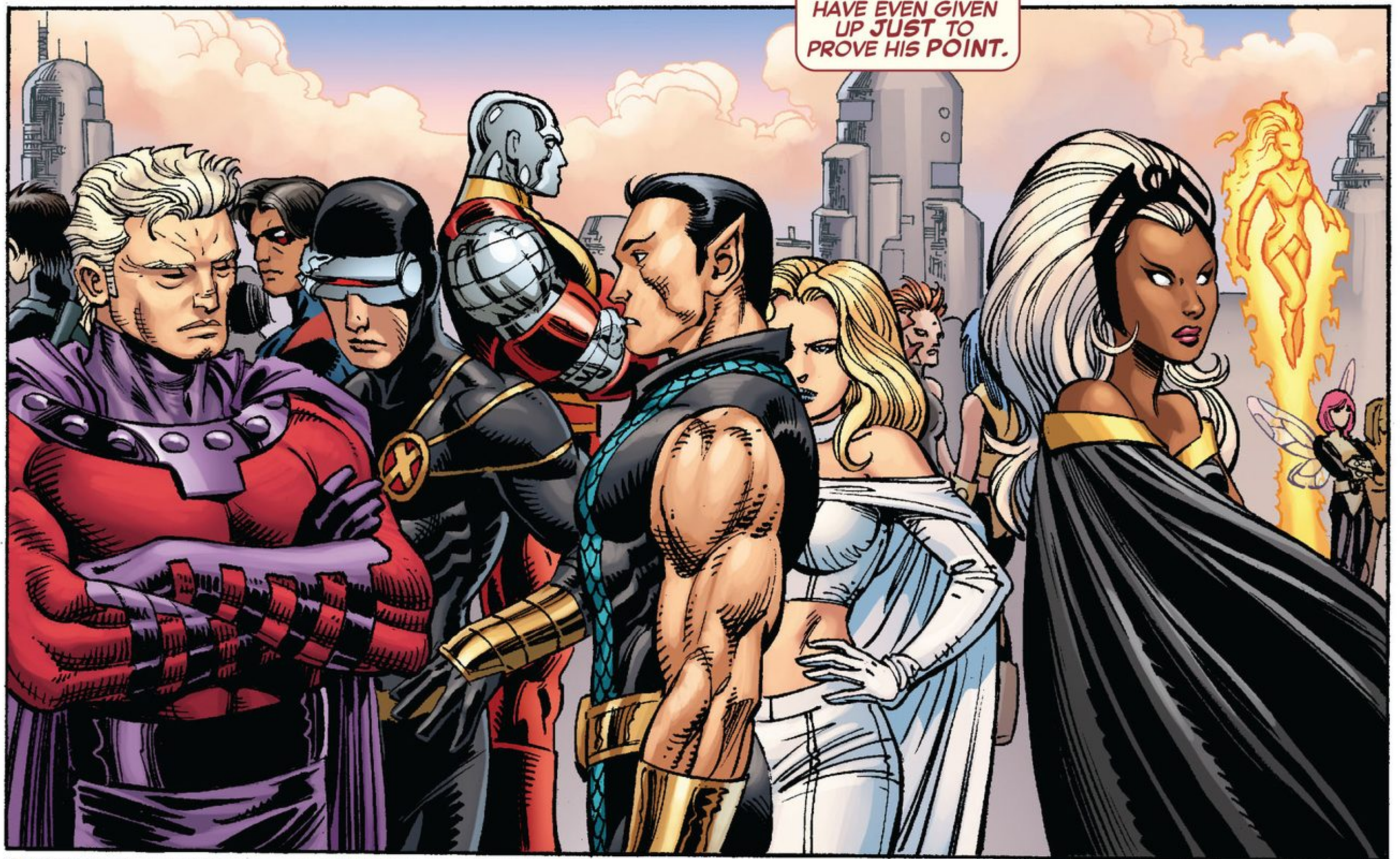
--AND I DON'T CARE
WHAT SUMMERS TOLD
THE U.N., TONY...

...THEY CAN'T JUST
DECIDE THEY'RE ABOVE
INTERNATIONAL LAW!

I AGREE, STEVE...BUT
EXACTLY WHAT ARE YOU
PLANNING TO CHARGE
THEM WITH?

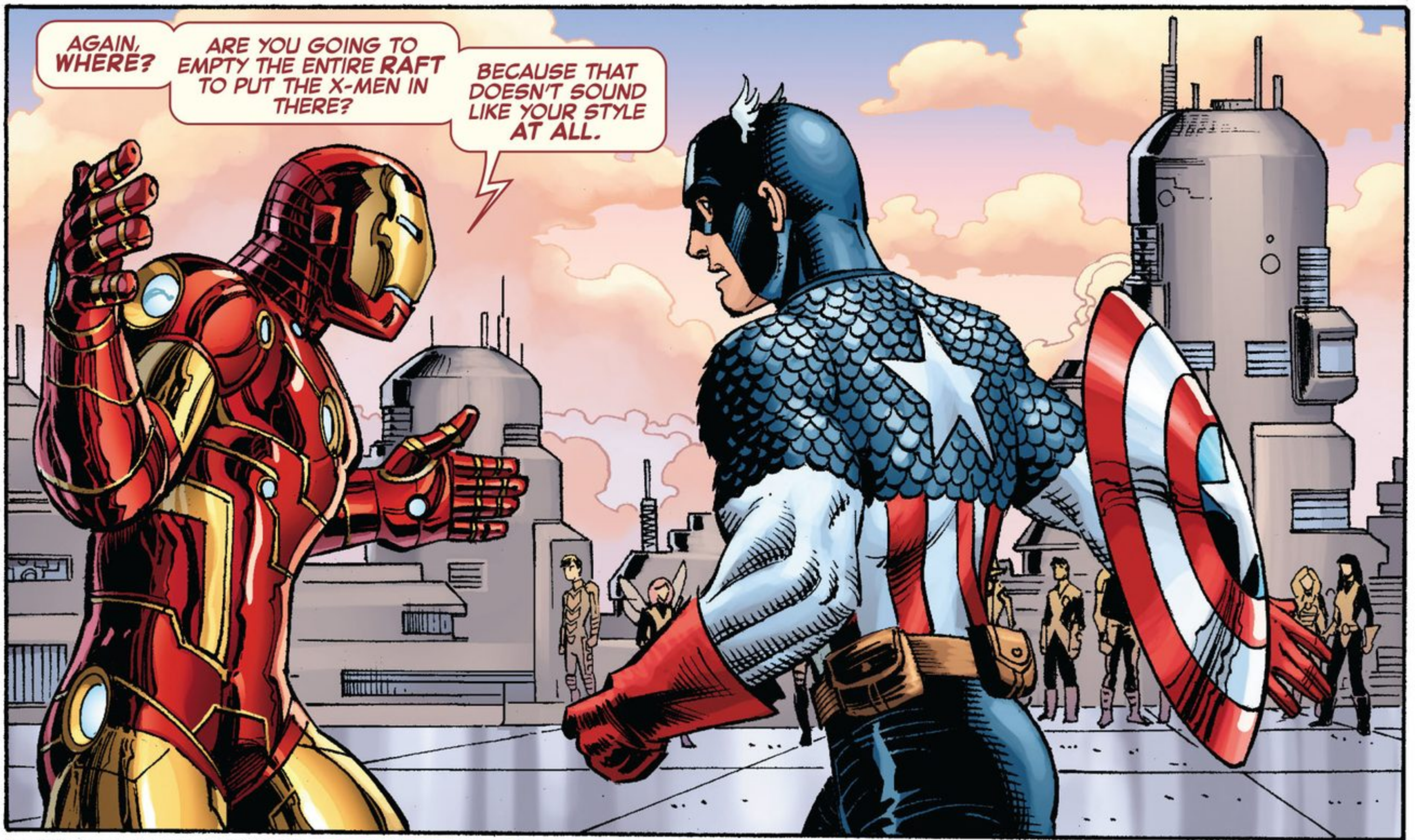
AND WHERE
DO YOU THINK
YOU'LL BE
ABLE TO LOCK
THEM UP?

CYCLOPS MAY
HAVE EVEN GIVEN
UP JUST TO
PROVE HIS POINT.



AND DEALING WITH
THEM DOESN'T GET
US ANY CLOSER
TO THIS POTENTIAL
PHOENIX GIRL...

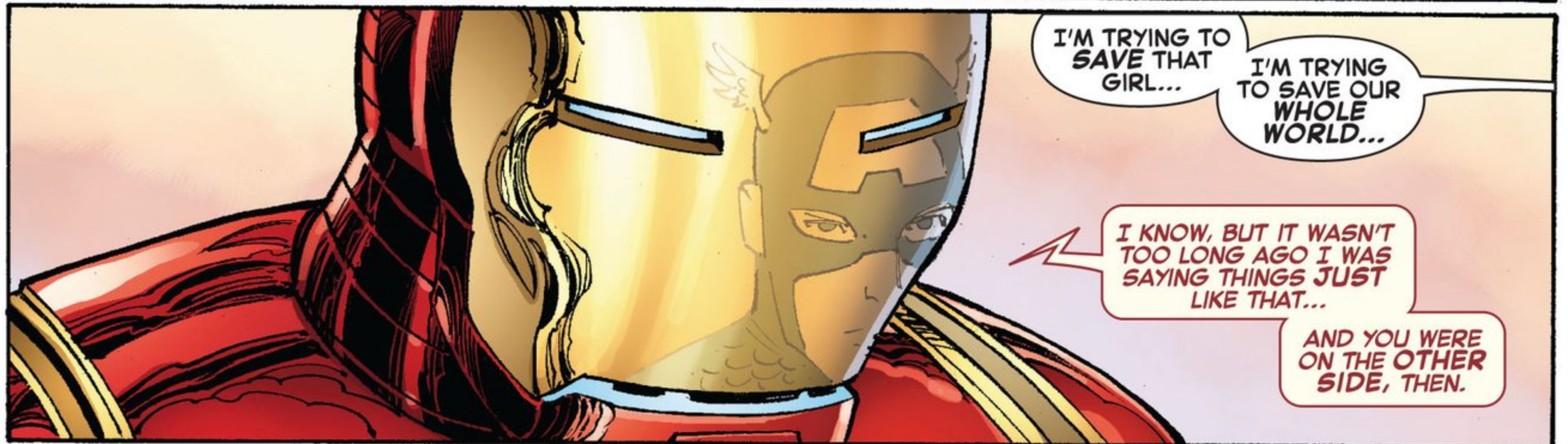
NO, BUT
IT KEEPS
THEM OUT OF
OUR WAY...



AGAIN,
WHERE?

ARE YOU GOING TO
EMPTY THE ENTIRE RAFT
TO PUT THE X-MEN IN
THERE?

BECAUSE THAT
DOESN'T SOUND
LIKE YOUR STYLE
AT ALL.



I'M TRYING TO
SAVE THAT
GIRL...

I'M TRYING
TO SAVE OUR
WHOLE
WORLD...

I KNOW, BUT IT WASN'T
TOO LONG AGO I WAS
SAYING THINGS JUST
LIKE THAT...

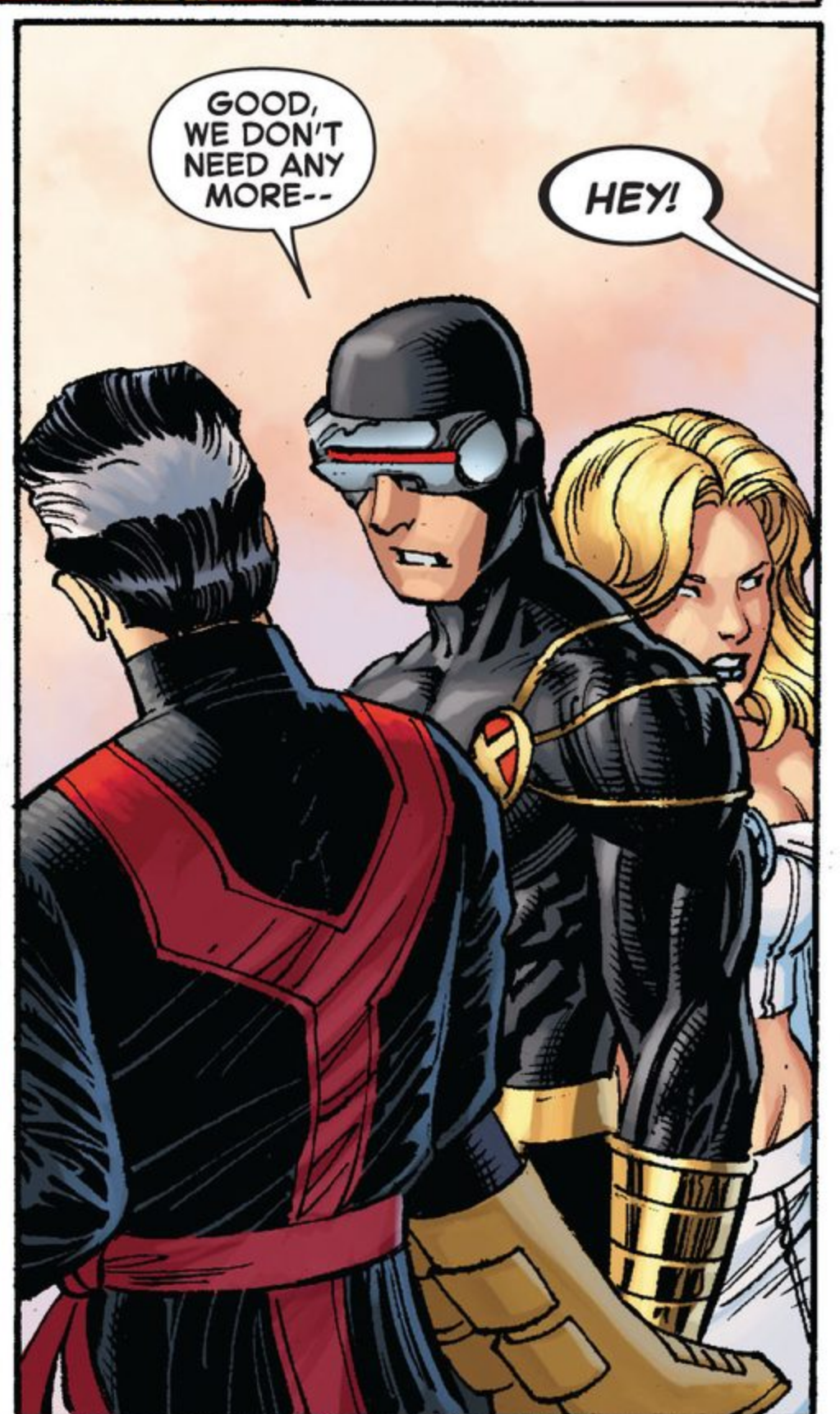
AND YOU WERE
ON THE OTHER
SIDE, THEN.



IS *SHE*
HURT?

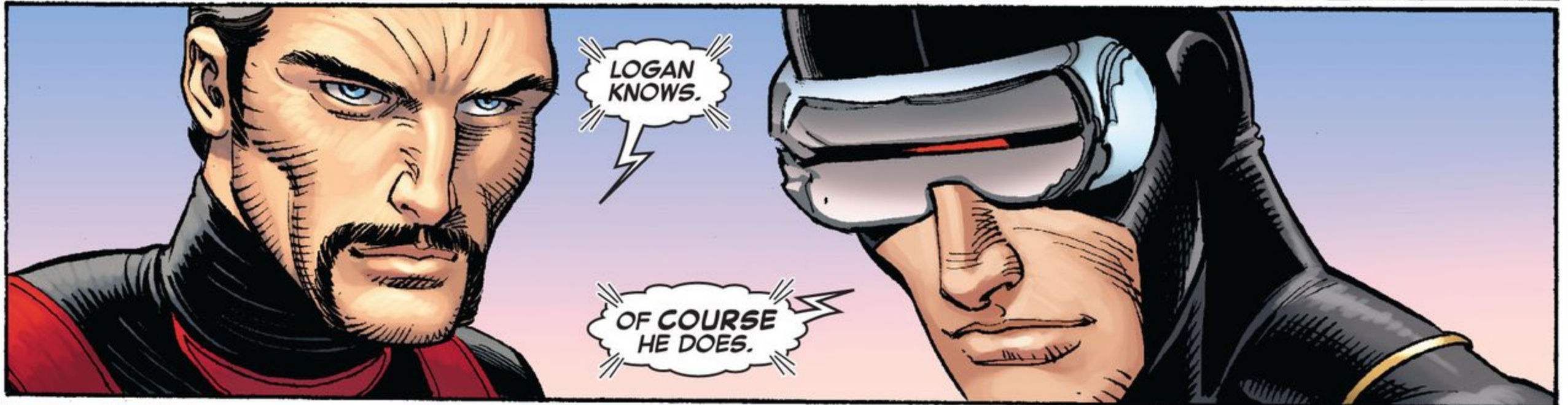
JUST A
TEMPORARY
HOLDING
SPELL...

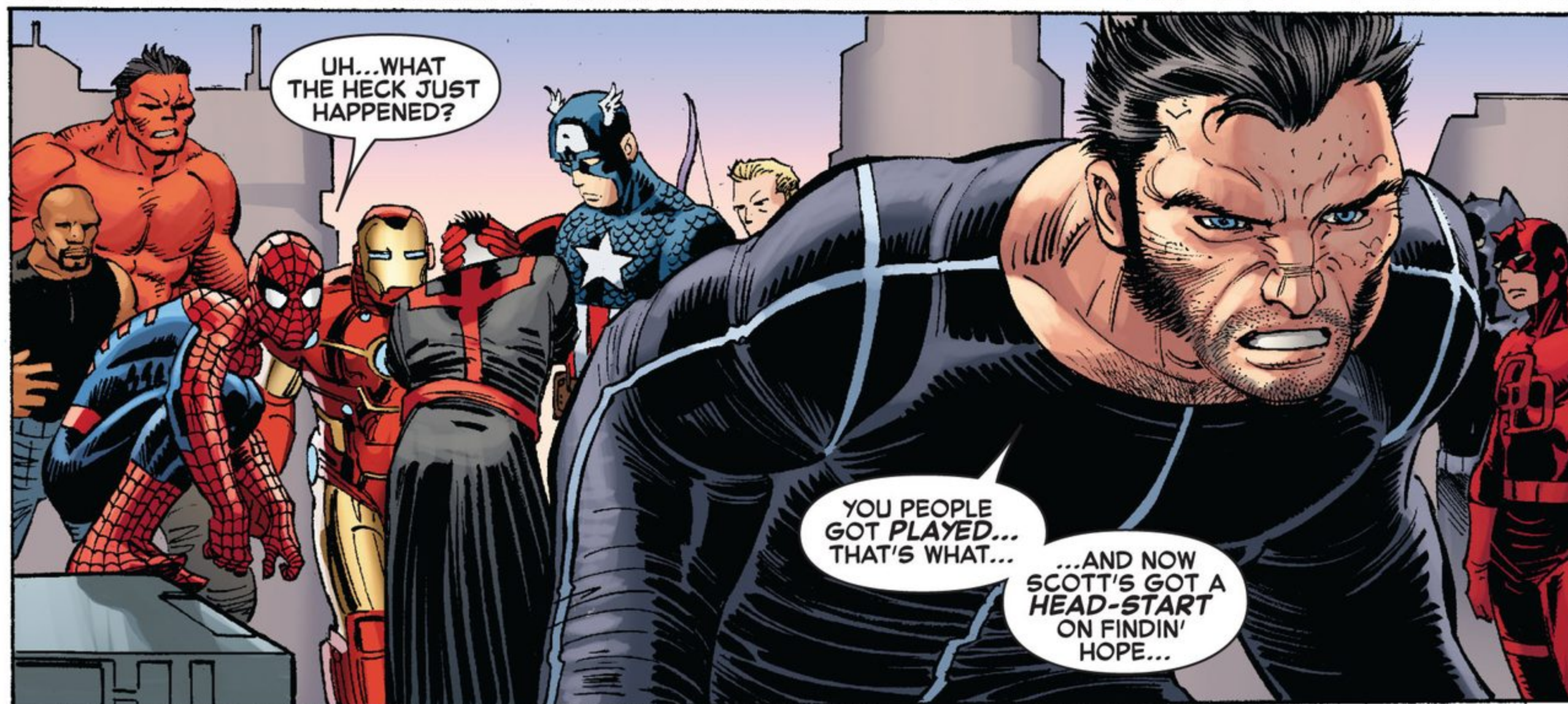
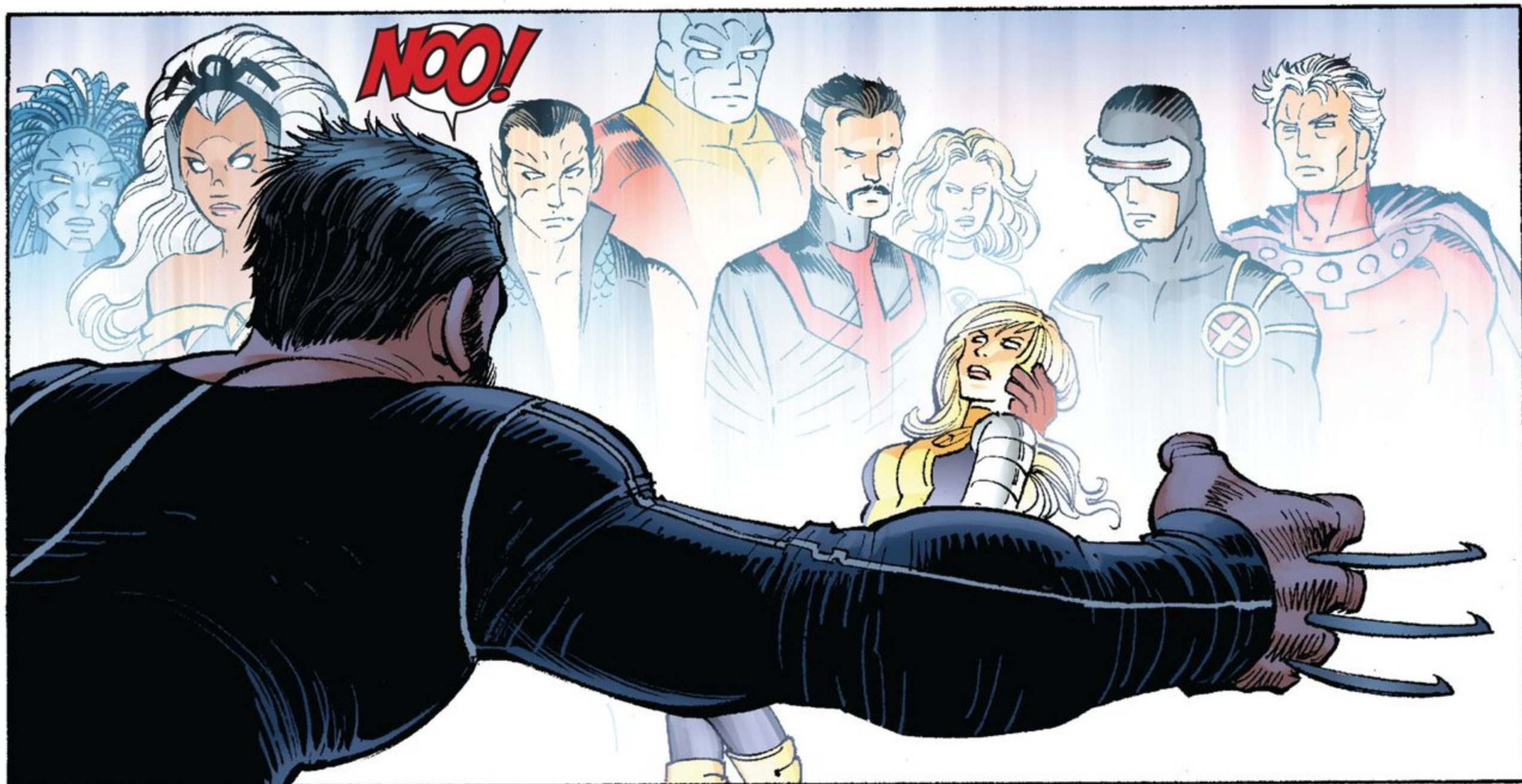
...THERE'S
NOTHING TO
WORRY ABOUT,
SCOTT...



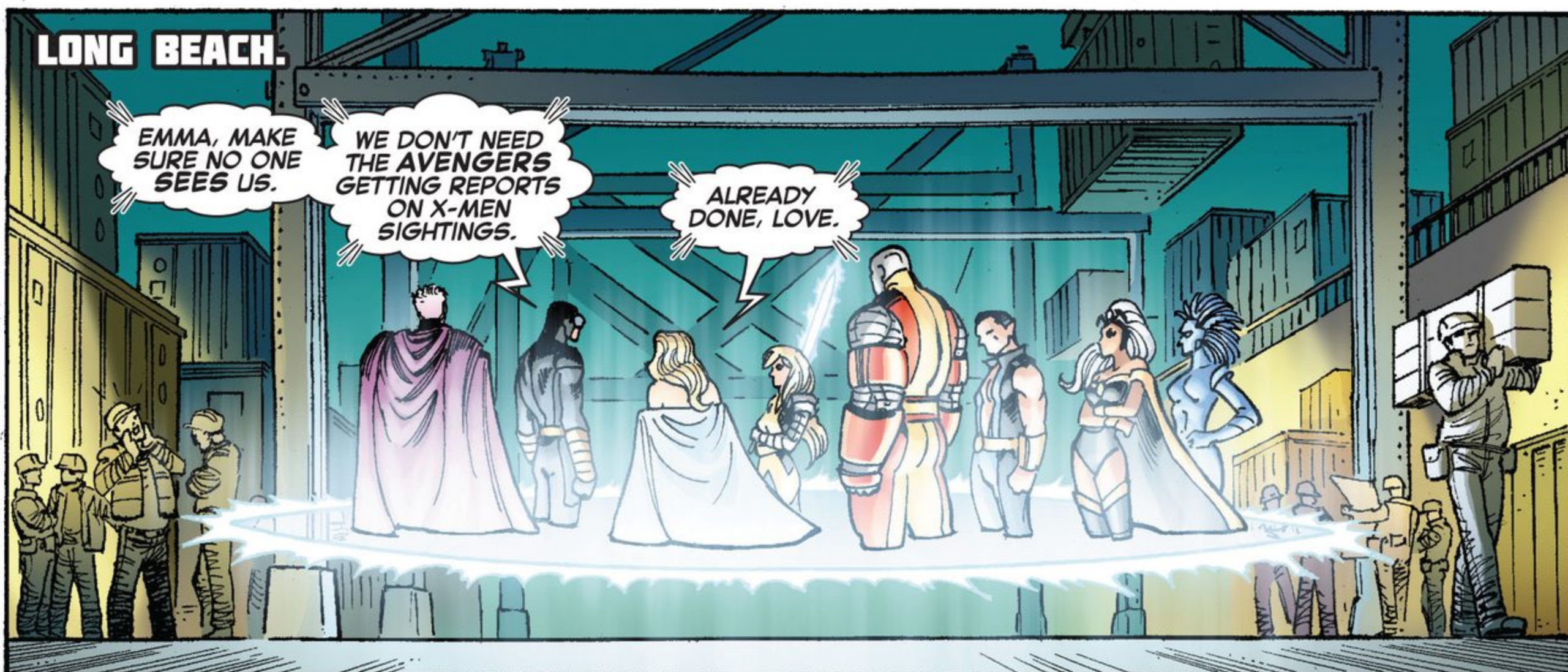
GOOD,
WE DON'T
NEED ANY
MORE--

HEY!





LONG BEACH.



EMMA, MAKE SURE NO ONE SEES US.

WE DON'T NEED THE AVENGERS GETTING REPORTS ON X-MEN SIGHTINGS.

ALREADY DONE, LOVE.



SO WHAT, PRECISELY, IS THE PLAN NOW?

NOT SURE YET...

I'M MAKING THIS UP AS WE GO ALONG.



CLEARLY, WE NEED YOUR MUTANT TRACKING DEVICE TO FIND HOPE...

HE MEANS CEREBRA.

...CERBERUS.



I KNOW, BUT THE ONLY FUNCTIONING CEREBRA IS AT LOGAN'S SCHOOL.

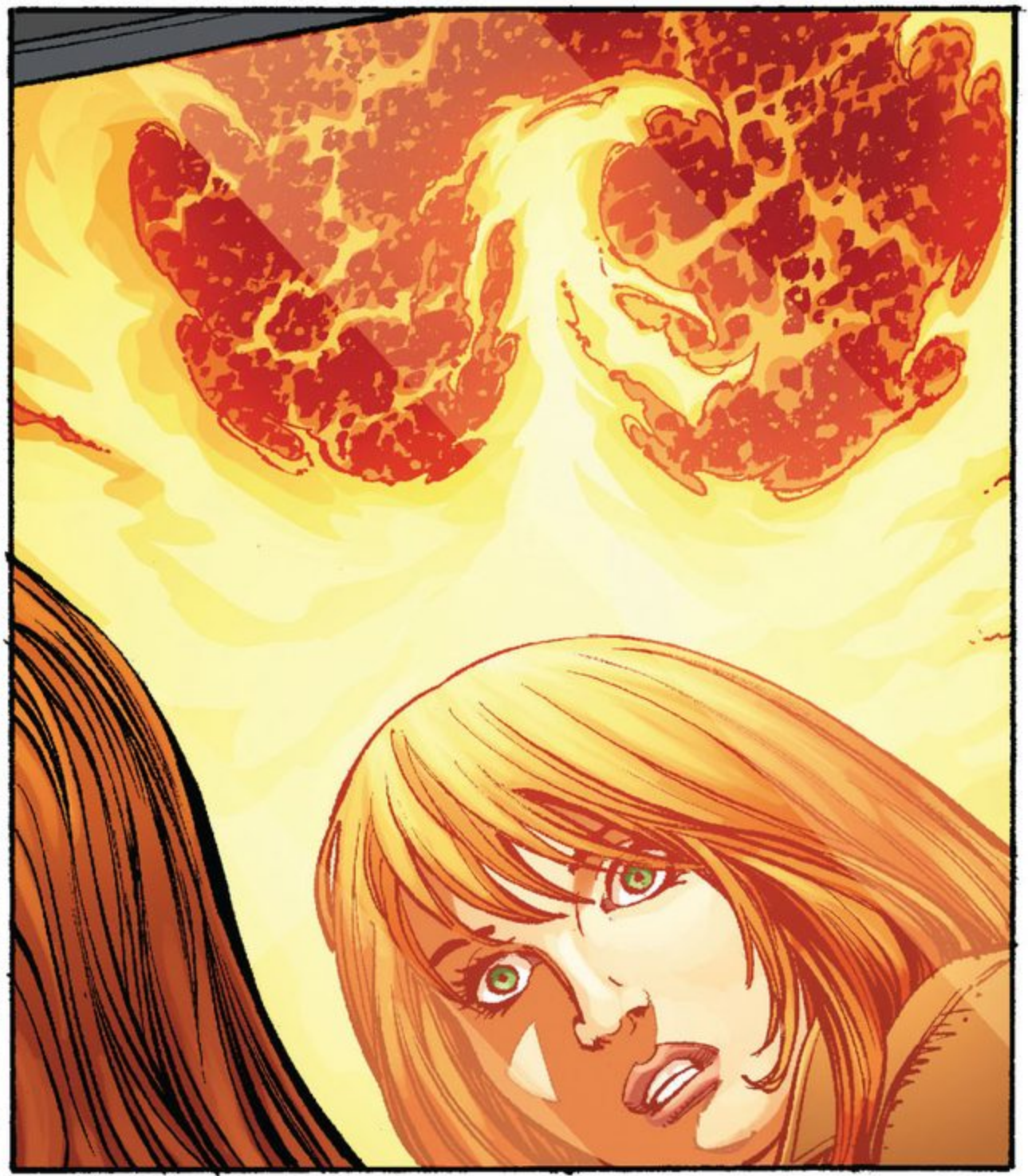
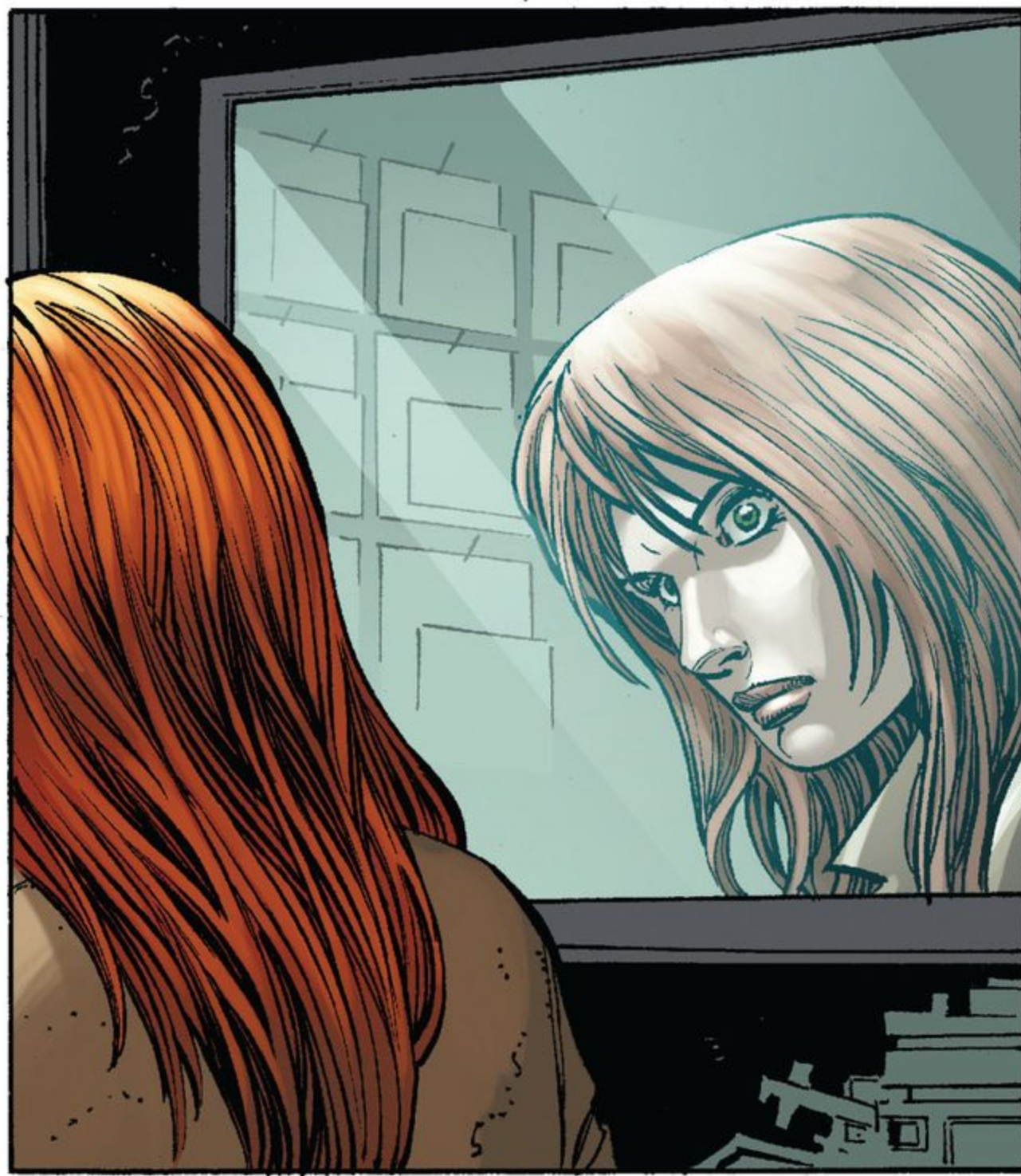
THEN WE'LL JUST HAVE TO FIND SOME SYMPATHIZERS AMONG HIS TURNCOATS...

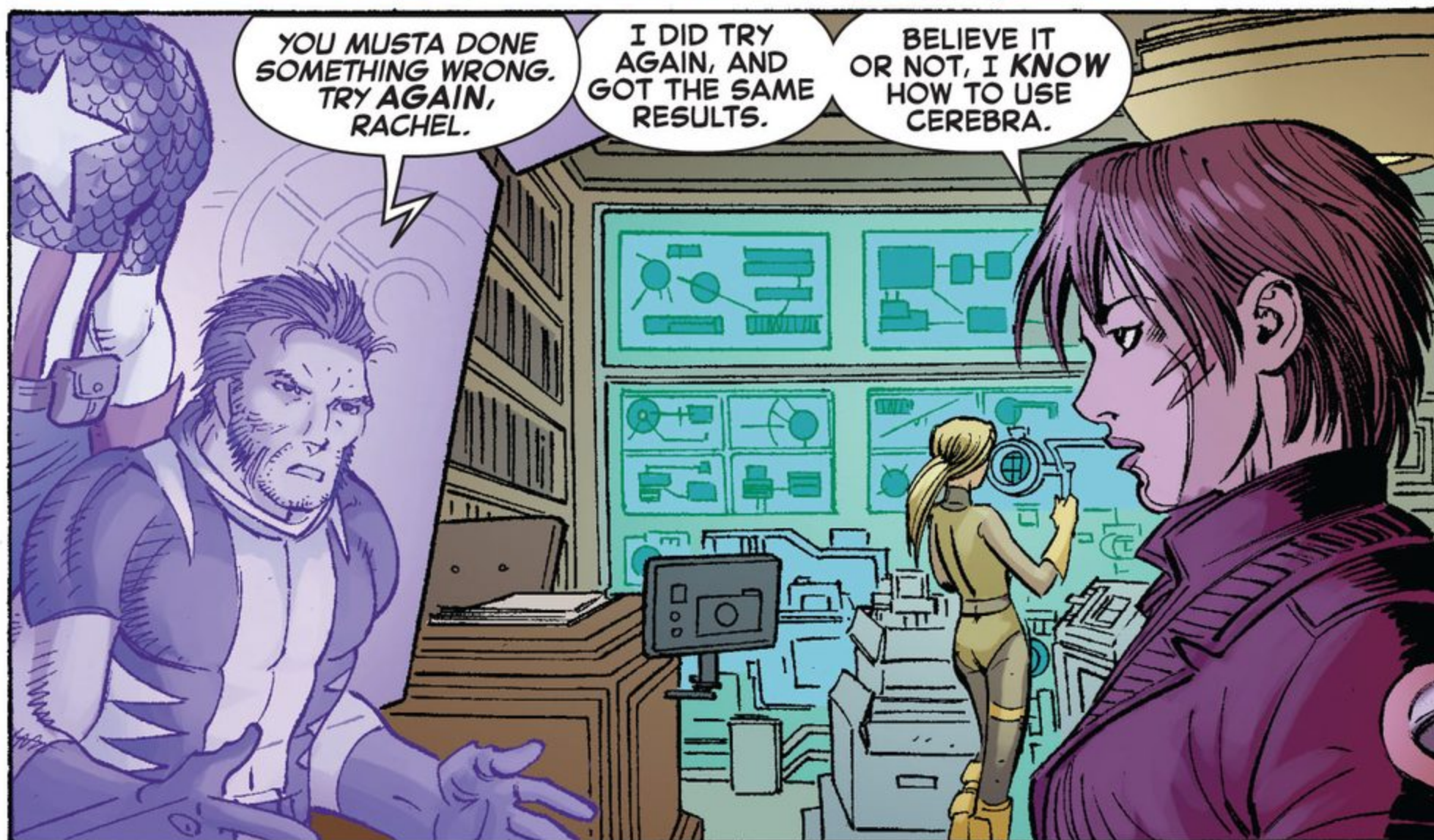
YEAH... I'VE GOT ONE CANDIDATE ALREADY...

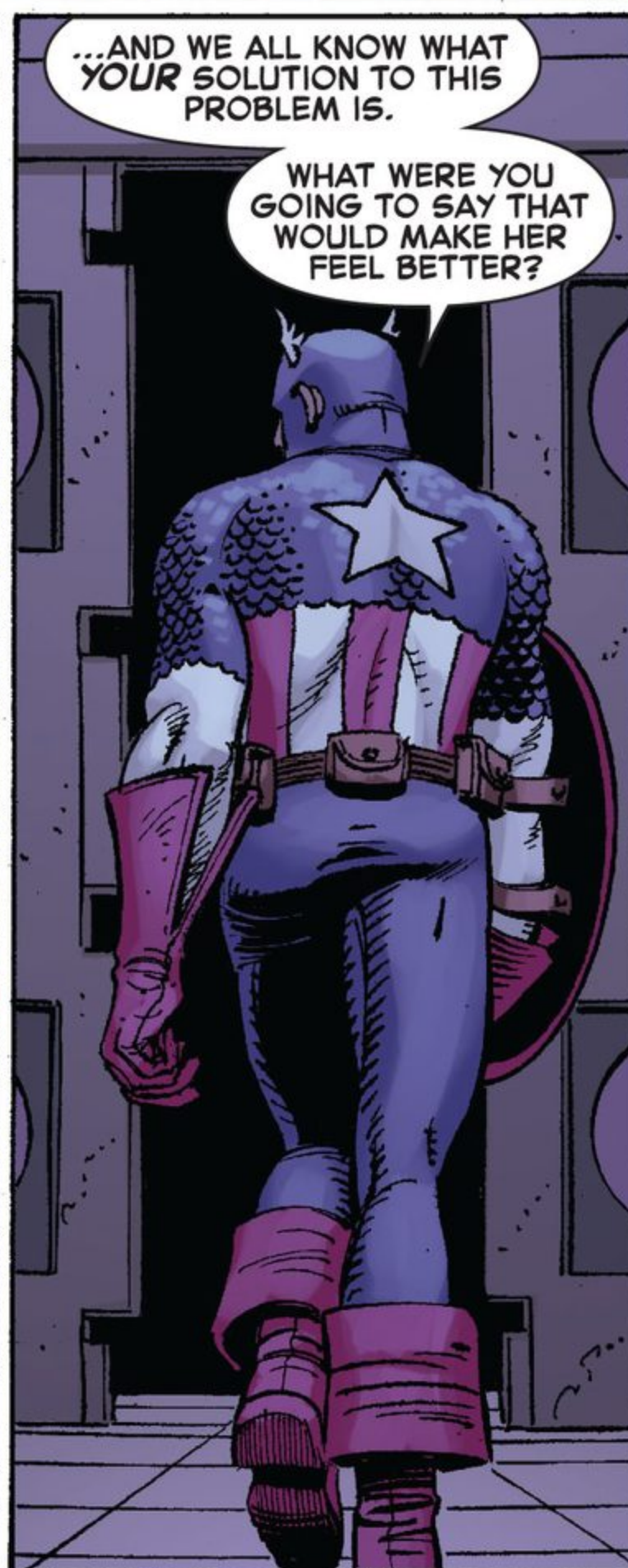
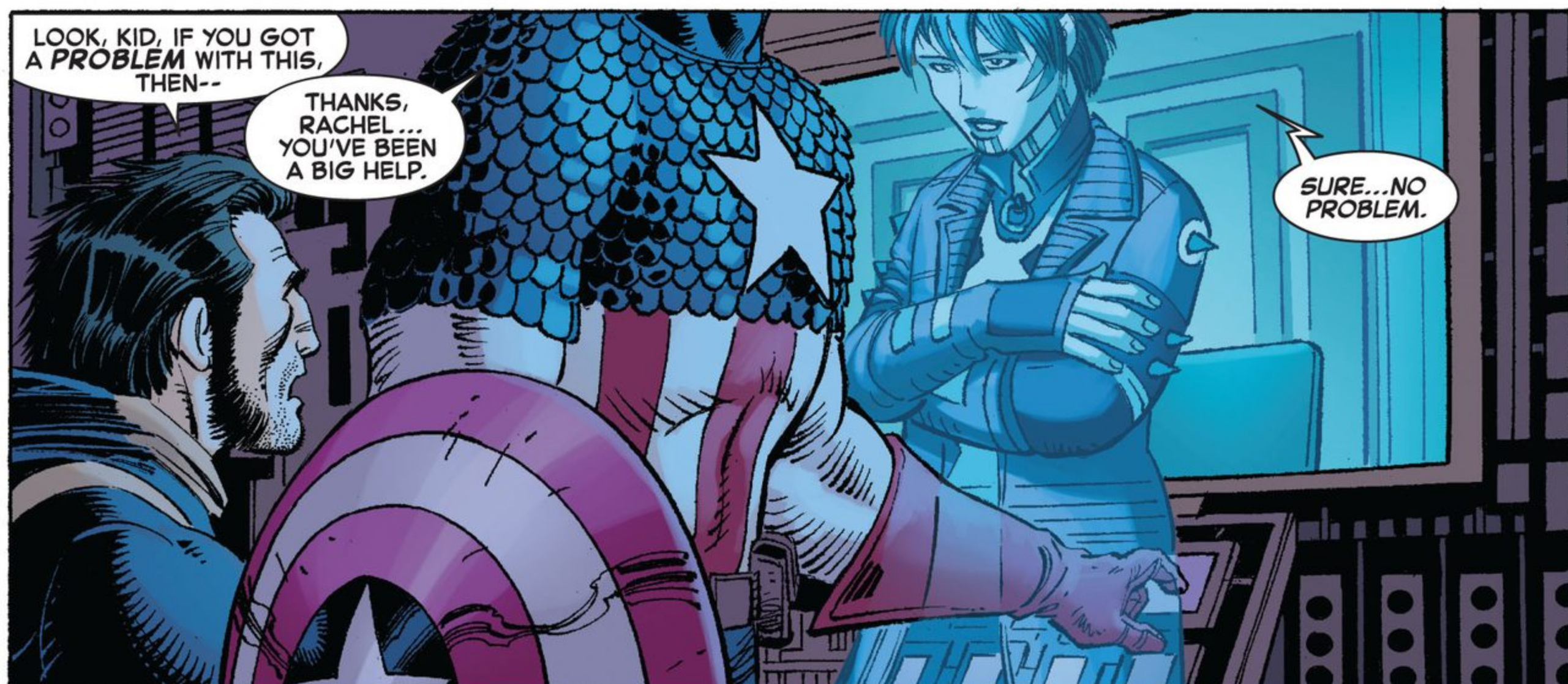


ALL RIGHT, LET'S MOVE, X-MEN...

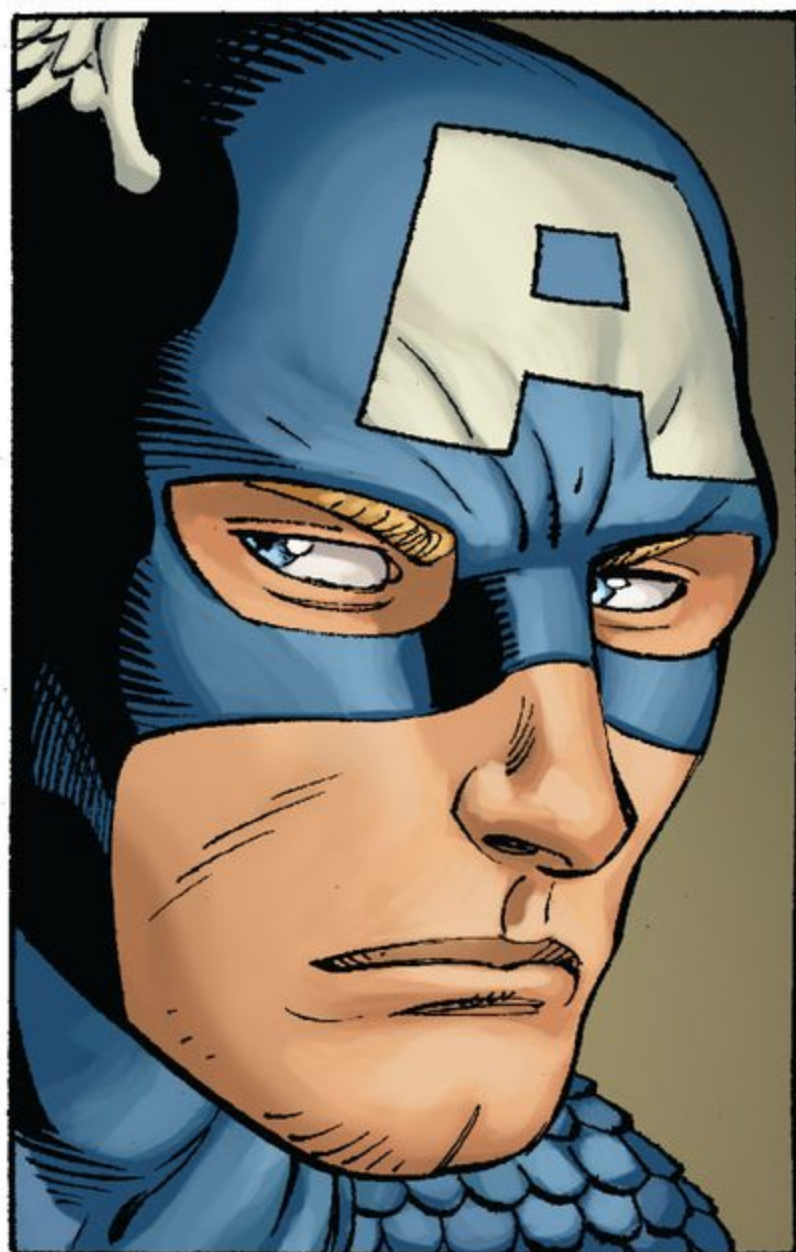
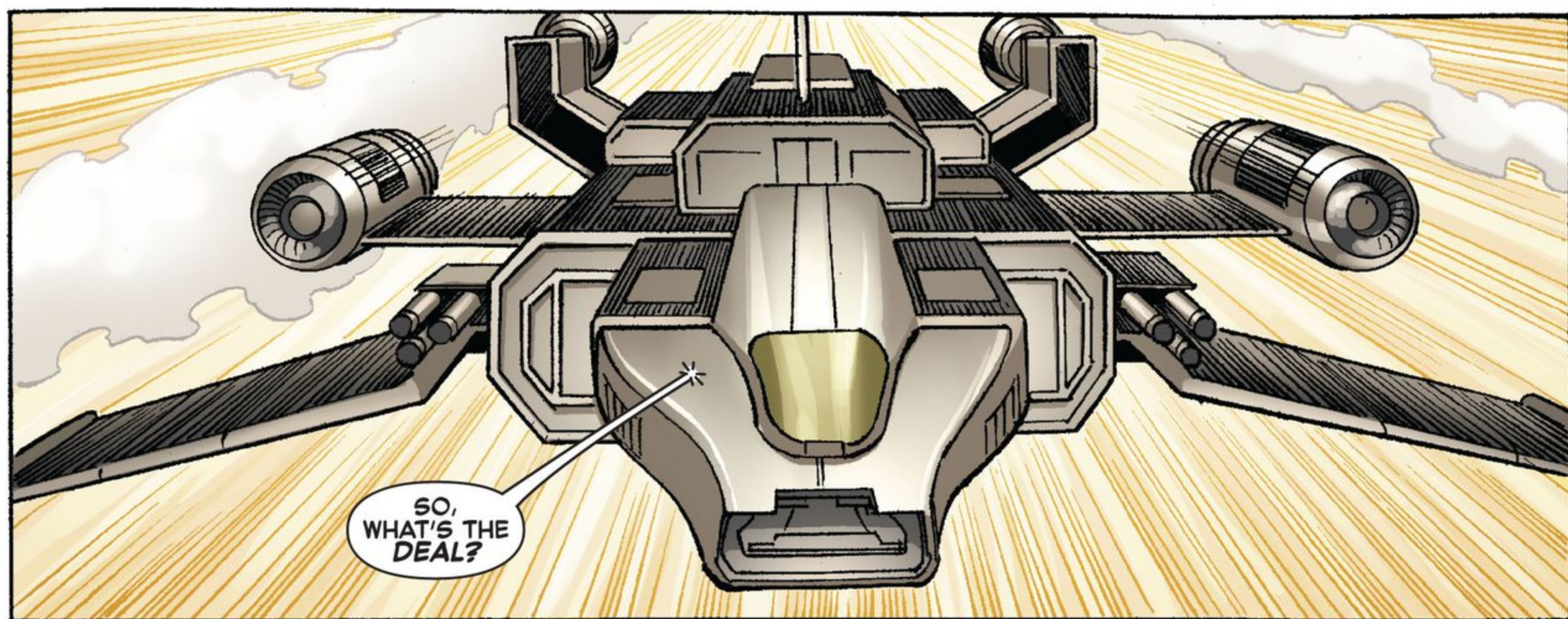


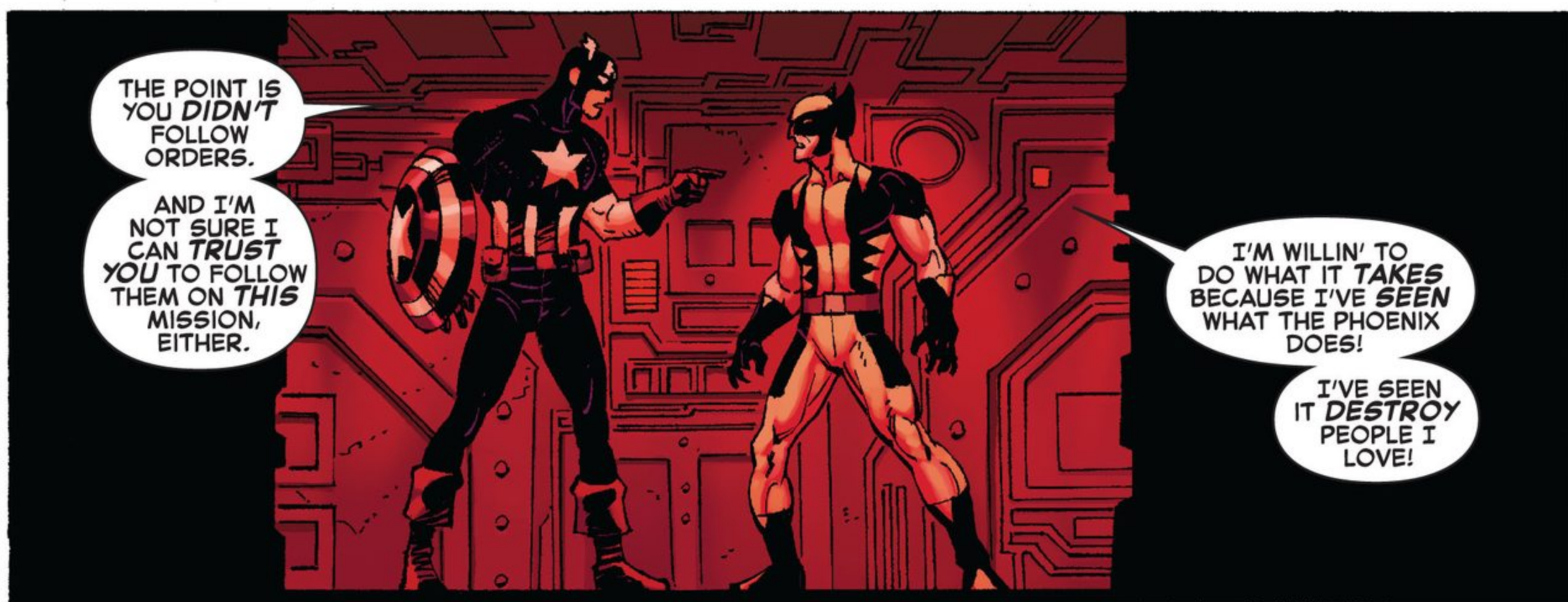












THE POINT IS
YOU *DIDN'T*
FOLLOW
ORDERS.

AND I'M
NOT SURE I
CAN *TRUST*
YOU TO FOLLOW
THEM ON *THIS*
MISSION,
EITHER.

I'M WILLIN' TO
DO WHAT IT *TAKES*
BECAUSE I'VE *SEEN*
WHAT THE PHOENIX
DOES!

I'VE SEEN
IT *DESTROY*
PEOPLE I
LOVE!



YOU THINK YOU CAN LOCK
HOPE UP SOMEWHERE IT CAN'T
GET TO HER, BUT YOU'RE
WRONG, CAP.

I WON'T LET
YOU JUST *KILL*
THAT GIRL!



THEN
WE'LL *ALL*
DIE!



DAMN IT...
I DIDN'T WANT
IT TO COME
TO THIS...



...BUT
YOU'RE *NOT*
LISTENING!



